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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 20 October 1998

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m. consultations of the whole
(closed) Consultation Room

Croatia (S/1998/939)

Other matters

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-third session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m. 10th meeting Conference Room 4

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. 11th meeting Conference Room 4

Continuation of general debate:

Chile
Democratic Republic of the Congo
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Oman
Ethiopia
Israel
Armenia
Pakistan
Kenya
Senegal

Continuation of general debate:

Malta
Saudi Arabia
Bahrain
Jamaica (on behalf of the Caribbean Community)
Lao People's Democratic Republic
Philippines
Iraq
Jordan
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

[Documents of the First Committee (A/C.1/53/INF.1)]

SECOND COMMITTEE

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| 10 a.m.-
12 noon | 17th meeting | Conference
Room 2 |
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1. Sectoral policy questions [92]
- (a) Business and development
- Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/53/L.7*
- (b) Industrial development cooperation
- Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/53/L.6*
2. Operational activities for development of the United Nations system [95]
- Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/53/L.8*
3. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [93] (A/53/296, A/53/374, A/53/60, A/53/62, A/53/63-S/1998/100, A/53/69, A/53/72-S/1998/156, A/53/95-S/1998/311, A/53/96, A/53/124, A/53/155, A/53/168, A/53/204, A/53/371-S/1998/848, A/53/396, A/53/411, A/53/412, A/53/414, A/53/416, A/53/453)
- (b) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy (A/53/336, A/53/174)
- Introductory statements and general discussion*

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	18th meeting	Conference Room 2
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Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [93] (A/53/296, A/53/374, A/53/60, A/53/62, A/53/63-S/1998/100, A/53/69, A/53/72-S/1998/156, A/53/95-S/1998/311, A/53/96, A/53/124, A/53/155, A/53/168, A/53/204, A/53/371-S/1998/848, A/53/396, A/53/411, A/53/412, A/53/414, A/53/416, A/53/453)

- (d) Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership (A/53/85)

- (g) Cultural development (A/53/321)

Introductory statements and general discussion

THIRD COMMITTEE

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| 3 p.m.-
6 p.m. | 18th meeting | Conference
Room 1 |
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- Promotion and protection of the rights of children [106] (A/53/41, A/53/57, A/53/72-S/1998/156, A/53/95-S/1998/311, A/53/281, A/53/311, A/53/482*)

Introduction and general discussion

* To be issued.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

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| 10 a.m.-
1 p.m. | informal consultations
(closed) | Conference
Room 5 |
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- Informal consultations on agenda item 114 (Programme planning (A/53/6 (Prog.1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 13/Rev.1, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 23 and Corr.1 and Corr.2 (French only), 24 and Corr.1, 26, 27 and 28), A/53/16, A/53/90, A/53/122 and Add.1, A/53/133 and Corr.1 (Spanish only) and A/53/134))

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| 3 p.m.-
6 p.m. | informal consultations
(closed) | Conference
Room 5 |
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- Informal consultations on agenda item 118 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/C.5/53/23 and A/C.5/53/24))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

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| 10 a.m. | 7th meeting | Trusteeship
Council Chamber |
| 3 p.m. | 8th meeting | Trusteeship
Council Chamber |

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [154] (A/53/33, A/53/312, A/53/326 and A/53/386)

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ON THE UNITED NATIONS
DECADE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

Morning*- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
Afternoon**- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

* Following the adjournment of the 7th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

** Following the adjournment of the 8th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	1st meeting	Conference Room 8
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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE
AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

The Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Ms. Sandru (Romania), will hold informal consultations on a draft proposal on the implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women, (agenda item 104) *today*, 20 October 1998, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

United Nations Convention
on the Law of the Sea

Informal consultations on agenda item 38 (Oceans and the Law of the Sea) will be held *today*, 20 October 1998, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal (Pakistan), *today*, 20 October 1998, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room 9.

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The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women invites delegations to propose names for panellists to participate in the forty-third session of the Commission (March 1999). The topics of the panels will be: (1) women and health; and (2) institutional mechanisms for the advancement of women. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and *curricula vitae*, indicating the specific panel for which they are being proposed, to the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC2-1216), no later than *today*, 20 October 1998.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 20 October 1998

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE (on the *World Summit for Social Development*)

9 a.m.-
10 a.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 7

GROUP OF 77 (on *Fifth Committee matters*)

1.45 p.m.-
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 5

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE (on the *Development Account*)

10 a.m.-
12 noon closed meeting Conference
Room 7

CENTRAL AMERICAN GROUP

2 p.m.-
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 6

AFRICAN GROUP:

GROUP OF EXPERTS ON ECONOMIC MATTERS

10.30 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) (on *information*)

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 7

MOVEMENT OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES:

ALLIANCE OF SMALL ISLAND STATES

1.15 p.m.-
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 7

COORDINATING BUREAU

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Economic and Social
Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE (on item 94 (b): *draft resolutions on El Niño and on the implementation of Conventions*)

1.30 p.m.-
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room A

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE (on item 93 (c): *special session on Habitat*; item 93 (a): *International Development Strategy*; and item 92 (a): *Business and development*)

3 p.m.-
4 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 9

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE*(on item 30: United Nations Task Force
on Environment and Habitat)*

4 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 9

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Meeting of co-sponsors

A meeting of possible co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Small Arms", organized by the delegation of Japan, will be held *today*, 20 October 1998, from 3.30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Informal meetings

There will be an informal meeting, organized by the delegation of Brazil, for an exchange of views regarding the First Committee draft resolution on the nuclear-weapon-free southern hemisphere and adjacent areas (agenda item 71 (o)) *today*, 20 October 1998, at 5 p.m. in Conference Room B. All interested delegations and co-sponsors are invited to attend.

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World Food Day 1998

A special ceremony to mark World Food Day 1998, under the theme "Women Feed the World", will take place *today*, 20 October 1998, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (immediately following the 17th meeting of the Second Committee). Statements will be made by the President of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Didier Operti Badián, the Deputy Secretary-General, Ms. Louise Fréchette, who will deliver the keynote address, the First Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Mr. Francesco Paolo Fulci, and the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Mr. Jacques Diouf. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of United Nations funds and programmes, specialized agencies, non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Informal briefing

An informal briefing by the Office of the Special Coordinator for Africa and the Least Developed Countries of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (OSCAL/DESA) on the Secretary-General's progress report on the implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s (UN-NADAF) (A/53/390 and Add.1) will be held *today*, 20 October 1998, from 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room A. Members of permanent missions and representatives of interested organizations are invited to attend.

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Announcement

As from Friday, 2 October 1998, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 1.15 p.m., or shortly after the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 21 October 1998

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-third session

10 a.m.	40th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	41st PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
Report of the Security Council (A/53/2) [11].		

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	12th meeting	Conference Room 4
<i>Continuation and conclusion of general debate:</i>		
Sudan		
Zambia		
Nepal		
Syrian Arab Republic		
Haiti		
Georgia		
Cyprus		
Costa Rica		

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	19th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	11th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	19th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 2

* Following the adjournment of the 11th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	9th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	10th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE
AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

The 1998 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the 1998 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme will be held in three segments.

The joint opening of both Pledging Conferences will take place on Tuesday, 3 November 1998, at 3 p.m., to be followed by the segment devoted to the 1998 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme.

The second segment devoted to the 1998 Pledging Conference for Development Activities will be held on Wednesday, 4 November, at 10 a.m. and on Thursday, 5 November, at 10 a.m.

It would be appreciated if delegations that have not already submitted the names of their representatives to both Pledging Conferences could do so to the Secretary of the Pledging Conferences, Mr. Alexandre de Barros (room S-2950-G, tel.: 963-2320).

The list of speakers for both pledging conferences will be open beginning Monday, 26 October, until Monday, 2 November.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Arab Group (*at the ambassadorial level*) on Wednesday, 21 October 1998, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

There will be a meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee on Friday, 30 October 1998, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Informal meetings

There will be an informal meeting, organized by the International NGO Committee on Human Rights, on the theme "The United Nations Human Rights Mechanisms: An Update" on Wednesday, 21 October 1998, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C. Mr. Ross Hynes, Minister Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations, and Mr. Bacre Waly Ndiaye, Director, New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, will be among the panellists. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, the representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Informal briefings

At the request of interested delegations, H.E. Mr. Hama Arba Diallo, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa, will hold an informal briefing on the latest developments in the framework of the Convention and give an update on the preparation to the Second Conference of the Parties (Senegal, 30 November-11 December 1998). The briefing will take place next Wednesday, 21 October 1998, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

There will be an informal meeting and exchange of views, organized by the International Monetary Fund (IMF), on the theme "The New Architecture for an International Monetary System - the IMF Perspective", on Thursday, 22 October 1998, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Mr. J. B. Zulu, IMF Special Representative to the United Nations and Director of the New York IMF Office, will make a presentation. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, the representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

There will be a briefing on the Second London Oceans Workshop by Mr. Alan Simcock, Head of the Marine, Land and Liability Division in the British Government's Department for Environment, Transport and Regions, on Monday, 26 October 1998, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The briefing, sponsored jointly by the delegations of the United Kingdom and Brazil, will be followed by a question-and-answer period. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Informal presentations

There will be an informal presentation, organized by the World Bank, on "Memory and Vision: Cultural Identity in a Changing World" on Wednesday, 21 October 1998, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Mr. Ismail Serageldin, Vice-President for Special Programs of the World Bank, will make the presentation. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on the "Administration and Cost of Elections", sponsored by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (Sweden) and the International Foundation for Election Systems (United States), on Thursday, 22 October 1998, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 8. The panellists will be Mr. Jean-Pierre Kingsley, Chief Electoral Officer of Elections (Canada), Mr. José Woldenberg Karakowsky, President of the Federal Electoral Institute (Mexico), and a representative of USAID. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Seminar

A seminar on the theme "The Impact of Reductions in Working Hours on Employment", sponsored by the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), will take place on Friday, 30 October 1998, from 1.45 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A. Professor Dr. Gerhard Bosch of the Institut Arbeit und Technik, Germany, will make a presentation. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on the following dates: Wednesday, 4 November 1998, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; Thursday, 5 November from 3 to 6 p.m.; and Friday, 6 November from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Friday, 30 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603, tel.: 963-9196).

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There will be a meeting of police contributors to the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (International Police Task Force) on Thursday, 22 October 1998, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The meeting will be chaired by Mr. Michel Pelletier, Director, Europe and Latin America Division, Department of Peacekeeping Operations. Mr. Mark Kroeker, IPTF Deputy Commissioner, will give a briefing on developments in Bosnia and Herzegovina and on the increasing demand for professional competence when selecting police officers for service with the International Police Task Force.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Monday, 19 October 1998

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-third session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

9th meeting

Organization of work

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Uruguay and Namibia, the observer of the Holy See, the representatives of Sri Lanka, Singapore, Tunisia, the Republic of Moldova, Kyrgyzstan and Peru, as well as by the observer of the International Committee of the Red Cross and the Director-General of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons.

In the exercise of right of reply, a statement was made by the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

9th meeting

Election of Rapporteur

Upon nomination by the representative of Finland and in accordance with rule 103 of the rules of procedure, the Committee, by acclamation, elected Mr. Bernard Tanoh-Boutchoue (Côte d'Ivoire) as Rapporteur of the Committee.

Effects of atomic radiation [81]

The general debate on agenda item 84 was concluded with statements by the representatives of Belarus, Kazakhstan, India, Slovakia, Egypt, Pakistan, Brazil (on behalf of Member countries of MERCOSUR (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay), as well as Bolivia and Chile), Iraq, the Syrian Arab Republic, Papua New Guinea and Ukraine.

The delegations of Armenia, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, the Czech Republic, Egypt, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Lithuania, Paraguay, Singapore, Uruguay and the Solomon Islands became co-sponsors of draft resolution A/C.4/53/L.6.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 81.

SECOND COMMITTEE

16th meeting

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [93]

(a) Implementation of and follow-up to major consensus agreements on development

(i) *Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of the Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries*

(ii) *Implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade*

The Committee began consideration of the item.

Introductory statements were made by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs and the Representative to the United Nations and Director of the New York Office of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

Statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Austria (on behalf of the European Union, the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union, Bulgaria, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia, as well as the associated country, Cyprus, which aligned themselves with this statement), China, Ghana, Panama (also on behalf of Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela and Guyana), El Salvador (also on behalf of Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama and the Dominican Republic), the Republic of Korea and Pakistan.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on agenda item 93 (a) (i) and (ii).

THIRD COMMITTEE

16th meeting

Advancement of women [103]

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women [104]

The Committee continued its consideration of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Fiji, Venezuela, Liechtenstein, Australia, the Sudan, Nepal, Kyrgyzstan, Israel, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Zimbabwe, St. Lucia (on behalf of CARICOM), Jordan, Belarus, Nigeria, Costa Rica, Lithuania and San Marino.

The representative of the World Health Organization also made a statement.

17th meeting

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda items 103 and 104 and heard statements by Malta, India, Ethiopia, Morocco, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Maldives, Tunisia, the Cameroon, Israel, Cyprus, the Russian Federation, Azerbaijan, Eritrea, Bahrain, Madagascar, Sri Lanka, the United Arab Emirates, Rwanda, Armenia and Iceland.

The observer of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies also made a statement.

The Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and the Advancement of Women made concluding remarks.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of the item.

Right of reply

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Israel, Uganda, Armenia, Lebanon and Azerbaijan.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10th meeting

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [143]

(a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Support account for peacekeeping operations

The representative of Australia, Vice-Chairman of the Committee, and Coordinator of informal consultations, introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/C.5/53/L.9.

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

The representative of Australia further revised the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution as orally revised.

Statements in explanation of position were made by the representatives of Austria (on behalf of the European Union), Japan, Canada, the Russian Federation, the United States, New Zealand, India and Cuba.

The Committee thus concluded this stage of its consideration of the question under this agenda item.

Pattern of conferences [117]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chairman of the Committee on Conferences, Mr. Koji F. X. Yamagiwa (Japan), introduced the report of that Committee (A/53/32).

The Under-Secretary-General for General Assembly Affairs and Conference Services made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Austria (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Cyprus, Iceland and Norway) and Cyprus.

Right of reply

The representatives of Turkey and Cyprus made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

Other matters

The Chairman reminded the Committee that the deadline for the submission of candidatures for the vacant posts under agenda sub-items 17 (a) to (f) was at 6 p.m. the same day.

The representative of Chile made a statement.

Right of reply

The representatives of Turkey and Cyprus exercised their right of reply.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

6th meeting

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [154]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ukraine, Brazil, Cameroon, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Pakistan, the Czech Republic and Indonesia.

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Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

United Nations Office at Geneva
Sixty-fourth session

MONDAY, 19 OCTOBER 1998

1700th meeting

Adoption of the agenda [1]

The Committee adopted its provisional agenda as contained in document CCPR/C/135 and the programme of work.

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee adopted the lists of issues in respect of the six reports it would consider during the session (Iceland, Belgium, Armenia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Japan and Austria).

1701st meeting

The Committee considered the report of the Tenth Meeting of Chairpersons and the report of the Secretary-General on mainstreaming gender issues.

Consideration of communications under the Optional Protocol to the Covenant [6]

The Committee considered the item in closed session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS**Information Fair**

The Annual Inter-Agency Information Fair, organized by the Department of Public Information, will be held in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building from today, 20 October, until Friday, 23 October 1998. The event brings together nearly 30 specialized agencies, programmes and departments of the United Nations system, each with representatives on hand to answer questions and distribute brochures, posters and other information materials.

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